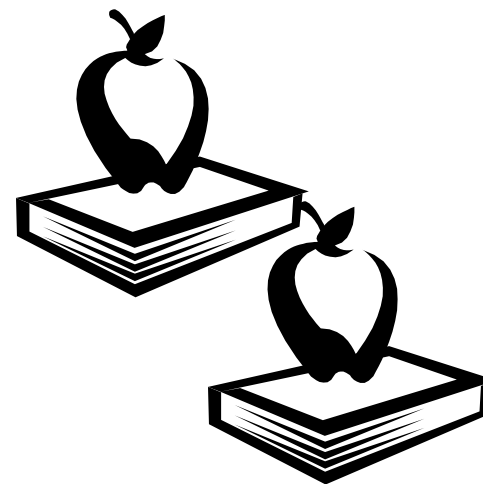


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FLEXIBILITY IN MEETING HIGH SCHOOL OFFERING REQUIREMENTS IN RULE 10

TEACHING TWO COURSES CONCURRENTLY



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This flyer is intended to offer school officials assistance in providing two high school classes simultaneously by the same instructor and generating instructional units for both classes in order to meet the provisions in Rule 10, (*Regulations and Procedures for the Accreditation of Schools*). This provision is included in Rule 10 as regulation 10-004.04C2. This is only one of several regulations which provide additional flexibility in providing the required instructional units in the high school program.



REGULATION 10-004.04C2

The actual text of the regulations states:

004.04C2 High schools may count instructional units for two courses in a subject field taught in the same classroom at the same time if the courses are primarily individualized wherein all students do independent projects or practice. (Example: Spanish 3 and 4, Accounting 1 and 2, Art 1 and 2)



WHAT IS ALLOWABLE?

Following are the requirements which determine whether classes can be taught together so they both generate instructional units:

1. Courses taught concurrently are in the same subject field.

2. Courses are taught in the same classroom so that all students and the learning process can be easily supervised by the teacher.
3. The courses must be primarily individualized where students work on independent projects.
4. Curriculum guides, frameworks, or course units and projects self-direct the student without significant teacher presentation or teacher/student discussion.

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT?



Student and teacher time may be used more efficiently and productively if “independent project” types of classes can be provided concurrently in the same classroom, especially if the number of students involved is quite small. In addition, this may provide opportunity for additional courses or for consultation with students.

WHAT IS NOT ALLOWABLE?



For purposes of counting toward Rule 10 requirements, it is not allowable to:

1. Teach concurrently two courses which would normally be taught with significant lecture by the instructor or teacher/class discussion
2. Include more than two courses taught concurrently by the same teacher.
3. Include subjects from more than one subject field when teaching two classes together.